



Pope Leo XIV's prayer intentions for 2026

The pope's Worldwide Prayer Network has released Pope Leo XIV's list of prayer intentions for the year 2026. Every month, Pope Leo asks Catholics around the world to pray for a particular intention.

February

For children with incurable diseases

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

Join us Today for our Tea and Coffee Morning
 Sunday 8th February
 after 9.30am Mass



All Welcome!

Collection 1st February 2026

Gift Aid	£500.00
Loose Plate	£335.85
Total	£835.85



Thank you for your wonderful generosity!
Mgr. Phil



If you wish to have your child Baptised here at St Joseph's church, please ring the Parish Office to book a place at the next Baptism Meeting. This takes place the 1st Sunday of the month following the 9.30am Mass.



Office Hours

Monday 9.30am - 1.30pm
 Wednesday 9.30am - 1.30pm
 Thursday 9.30am - 1.30pm
 Friday 9.30am - 1.30pm
 Parish Administrator Stephanie Allen
 Telephone 01257 676027
 Email stjwrightington@rcaol.org.uk



Church Cleaning Rota

This week is Group 6



Thank you to **ALL** our volunteers who help to clean and prepare our church throughout the year.
If you can help, please let Mgr. Phil know

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St Joseph's Catholic Church

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Sunday 8th February 2026
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

8th February 2026 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)	9.30am 5.00pm	Chris Duckett : 70th Birthday Anni Geraldine Harvey : Birthday
Monday	9.30am	23rd Anniversary of Mgr.Phil's Ordination
Tuesday	No Public Mass	
Wednesday	No Public Mass	
Thursday	9.30am	Margaret Farrell : Anniversary
Friday	No Public Mass	
Saturday	No Public Mass	
Sunday 15th February 2026 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)	9.30am 5.00pm	Lynn Eyes Henry Woods, Anne Woods

Mission Statement

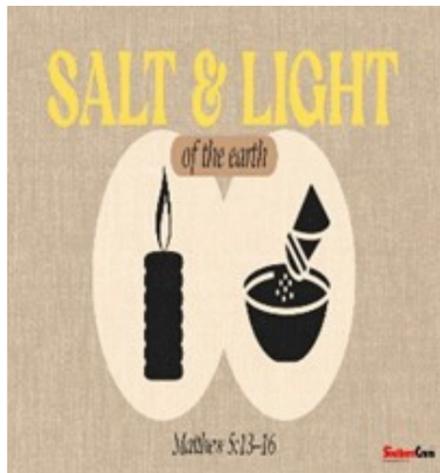
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Sacrament of Reconciliation on request. Please contact the Parish Office or Monsignor Phil.

First Reading	A reading from the Prophet Isaiah 58:6-10
Psalm Response	A light rises in the darkness for the upright. Ps 112 (111):4-5. 6-7. 8a, 9. R. 4a
Second Reading	A reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians. 2:1-5
The Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia. I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia.
Gospel	A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 5:13-16
Communion Antiphon	Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

This Weeks Reflection



Today, Jesus famously says, **‘You are the salt of the earth... you are the light of the world.’**

Note that he doesn’t say ‘you should be salt...’
He says you *already are*.

He spells out our identity before saying what he expects of us. But why salt and light? Because they are both ordinary, and that’s exactly how God’s kingdom spreads: through the small, steady and faithful action of certain things we all consider very ordinary in our every day lives.

Mass Intentions

To arrange Mass intentions please collect an envelope from the back of Church and write clearly the name of the person/s who the Mass intention is for, along with your preferred date and offering, we will do our very best to accommodate the date requested or nearest to it.

Mass envelopes can be handed to Mgr. Phil or the Parish Office.



Sick in our Parish

Please pray for the sick in our community and for those who are suffering from a terminal illness, remembering also Olivia Williams, Annalise Donelon and all the patients in Wrightington and Wigan Hospital, our local Hospice and members of the Royal Family. Heal thy servants, O Lord, who are sick and put their trust in Thee.
Send them healing O Lord and comfort from thy Holy Spirit.



Holy Souls



In your charity, please pray for those who have recently died Martha Ainscough, John Goggins, Teresa Richardson, Antonia Della Cerra and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time. We also remember the forgotten Holy Souls who have no one to pray for them including Priests and Religious.

Eternal rest grant on to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them,
may they rest in your peace.
Amen.

Free Children’s Choirs – Open to All Children in Years 2–8!

Exciting opportunities for young singers to join a Catholic children’s choir in your area! Open to all children in school years 2 to 8, our choirs offer free musical training led by DBS-certified musicians from the Archdiocese of Liverpool.

Rehearsal Information:

Knowsley Catholic Children’s Choir - Wednesdays, 4–5pm
Space Centre, St Columba’s Catholic Primary School, Hillside Road, Huyton, L36 8BL

Widnes Catholic Children’s Choir - Mondays, 4–5pm
St John Fisher Parish Centre, 55 Moorfield Rd, Widnes, WA8 3JA

Liverpool Catholic Children’s Choir (Central) – *New from March 2026!* - Mondays, 4:30–5:30pm
Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral, Mount Pleasant, Liverpool, L3 5TQ

Liverpool Catholic Children’s Choir (South) – *New from March 2026!* - Tuesdays, 5–6pm
St Mary’s Church – Parish Hall, Church Rd, Liverpool, L25 5JF

Choir members will have the chance to perform locally and further afield, developing their musical skills while enjoying a fun, supportive environment. **Sign up here:** <https://liverpoolmetrocathedral.us8.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=7578a4f8bc41ae198517aea33&id=34918afeaf>

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER A service for everyone! Friday 6 March

I will give you rest, come

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All Saints
Church
Appley Bridge

2pm



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Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition and Relics

Carlo Acutis
The First Millennial Saint

Saturday 14th to Sunday 22nd
February 2026

Relics
Our Lady and All Saints Church
Lancaster Lane, Parbold WN8 7HS



Exhibition
Our Lady and All Saints School
Brandreth Drive Parbold WN8 7HB

Opening times
Saturdays and Sundays
11:30am-3:00pm
Monday to Friday
11:30am-3:00pm, 5:00pm-7:00pm

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